

## PAINTER PICKS GREAT MISSOURIAN

THOMAS MOORE JOHNSON, LAWYER AND PHILOSOPHER, MAY BE CHOSEN.

### MAJOR WILL DO CHOOSING

Widely-Traveled Linguist, Conversant With World's Best Thought, and Would Reflect Credit on Imperial Missouri.

Jefferson City. Thomas Moore Johnson, scholar, linguist, philosopher and magazine writer, of Osceola, is unquestionably "Missouri's greatest living man," according to Lieut.-Gov. Painter, who refused to make the official selection, however, before leaving for his home in Carrollton. The Lieutenant-Governor said he believed the selection should be made by Gov. Major. Johnson is a philosopher and writer of world-wide distinction. He is a lawyer and was formerly prosecuting attorney of St. Clair County.

Major Advocates Good Roads Governor Major delivered an address to 5,000 farmers and residents of Belleville at the first good roads' day picnic in St. Clair County, Illinois, recently.

The affair was held in the fair grounds and the governor spoke from an automobile to the crowds in the speed ring and the grand stands.

The governor told of the success of good road days in Missouri, and said that the matter of good roads was close to his heart, because the good road was the foundation of all progress and the beginning of better moral and physical and commercial conditions.

He urged the people of St. Clair county to build up their dirt roads, and to favor the use of any and all kinds of material.

Belleville made a half holiday in honor of the governor, and his address brought forth much applause. After the speaking Gov. Major played golf at the St. Clair County Country Club. While in the city he was the guest of Mr. A. H. Baer.

### To Name Greatest Missourian.

There is more or less speculation in Jefferson City on the probable nomination of Missouri's "greatest man." It is understood that such a request will be made of Gov. Major by the authorities of the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco in a few days.

The nomination must be of a living Missourian.

Among the names discussed in connection with the expected communication from the exposition management are those of former Gov. David R. Francis, Senator William J. Stone, Senator James A. Reed, Speaker Champ Clark, Judge W. W. Graves, Col. Edwin Stephens of Columbia, Frederick W. Lehmann of St. Louis and numerous others.

It is conceded that Gov. Major will confront the most delicate task that has come his way since he became chief executive of Missouri, when called upon to select the greatest living Missourian.

### Inventory Filled.

Engineers of the public service commission have filed inventories of the property of the West St. Louis Water and Power Co. These valuations were made a basis for determination of reasonable rates for this company to charge. Several complaints about rates of this company have been filed.

The commission's engineers find the value of the plant to be \$1,405,139, and that it could be reproduced for \$1,582,565.

It was shown that the company's net earnings in 1914 were \$131,530. Its operating expenses were \$65,378.46, and its gross earnings \$203,158.67. The company's experts give its entire investment at \$2,595,249, of which sum \$1,089,986 is listed as intangible assets, which would also include the franchises and good will.

### Undecided as to Raise of Pay.

State Auditor John P. Gordon recently said he did not know whether he would continue paying Morris Gordon, his son, the increased salary as supervisor of building and loans or not.

"I'll let you know when the time arrives to draw my warrant," said the auditor.

Morris Gordon has been in the full enjoyment of a salary increase of \$33.33 a month since March 24, 1915, when a statute re-enacting the building and loan laws of the state became effective. The old salary of a building and loan supervisor was \$2,900 a year, or \$166.66 a month. The new salary is \$3,400 a year, or \$283 per month.

## HAPPENINGS of the week IN MISSOURI

Charles McKinney, one of the oldest men in Clay county, is dead at the home of his son, W. N. McKinney, in Excelsior Springs. He was 86 years old and had lived in Missouri since 1850, with the exception of a trip to California in 1852, when the gold rush was on.

Ray McAllister, 20, of Carthage, was killed at a mine there by a falling slab. He had just entered the ground for the first time to substitute for his father, who was taking a vacation. John Smith, another miner, was badly injured.

W. E. Brinkerhoff, 83, who organized the First National bank of Carthage in 1883 and was its president thirty years, is dead. He retired two years ago. He was an extensive property holder in the city and in Jasper county.

The building occupied by the Brookfield fire department burned the other night. The flames spread so rapidly that members of the department had difficulty in saving the horses and equipment.

John Gibbs Berry, 78 years old, a native of Callaway county, is dead in Fulton of typhoid pneumonia. He was the father of fourteen children, eleven of whom are living. His wife died three years ago.

John D. O'Rear, the American minister to Bolivia, arrived in Mexico recently to spend a month's vacation with his family.

Because of the birth of a son recently to Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Crawford in Springfield, three children of the family will celebrate their birthday anniversaries the same day. The three youngest children were born on the same date. There is four years' difference in the ages of each, the eldest having been born eight years ago. There are two other children in the family whose birthdays fall within a day of each other.

Special elections held in Seymour and Mansfield for bond issues for road improvement carried by substantial majorities in both cities. A bond issue of \$30,000 was authorized in Seymour and one of \$15,000 in Mansfield. As a result of the election the plans for the construction of the St. Louis-Springfield motor car highway were given a big boost.

Petitions were circulated at Excelsior Springs recently for special election to vote \$100,000 bonds to build a rock road through Liberty to Kansas City. This action follows the overwhelming defeat of the proposition to extend the Excelsior Springs special road district two miles east into Ray county.

P. P. Lewis, president of the state board of agriculture, was elected president of the Missouri Holstein Breeders' Association at the recent meeting in Columbia, which was attended by delegates from all sections of the state. The other officers elected were: S. C. Indsay, Carthage, vice president; Caspar A. Gantz, King City, secretary-treasurer.

The postoffice at New Franklin was entered by burglars the other night, the safe blown and all stamps and money taken. The loss will not exceed \$100.

Two days' rain in the Ozarks has recently raised the White River six feet above the highest record in many years.

The fifteenth annual convention of the Missouri Retail Merchants' Association was held in Macon recently. There were about 100 delegates present. Special cars were there from St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph.

The sampling of grain in the St. Louis market will be taken over by the state grain inspection bureau September 1. Orders to this effect were given by the state warehouse commissioner.

Fifteen hundred employees of the Missouri Pacific shops and offices of Sedalia will go to Pertle Springs, near Warrensburg, Saturday, September 4, for their annual picnic.

Five motorists were attacked with knives by three unidentified men two miles west of Marshall the other night. Will Stockman, son of a wealthy farmer of Malta Bend, sustained deep wounds in the face and body that may prove fatal. Ralph Baker of Malta Bend was cut. He probably owes his life to the fact that he carried a silver dollar in his vest pocket. The motive for the assault is unknown.

## BACK FROM MEXICO

Gen. Hugh L. Scott Returns to Washington After Long Visit to Border.

### HELD CONFERENCE WITH VILLA

Bandit Chief Accepts Pan-American Convention Proposal—Waiting for Reply from Carranza.

Washington, Aug. 30.—Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the army, returned to Washington tonight from the Mexican border, where for several weeks he had been doing special work for the State Department in furtherance of the Pan-American peace plans.

General Scott's first task on arrival at the border was to confer with General Villa and settle difficulties arising from the seizure of property of foreign merchants at Chihuahua. The general also discussed with Villa the Pan-American convention proposal, which Villa and his followers have accepted.

Further Movements Not Announced. Since that time the nature of General Scott's negotiations for the State Department have not been disclosed. At one time it was reported that he sought to get in communication with General Obregon, Carranza's chief in the field. Whether he succeeded in this has not been learned. Obregon, however, responding to the Pan-American appeal, said Carranza's answer would be his.

It is taken for granted here that General Scott brought back from the border a fund of interesting information for Secretary Lansing and the Latin-American diplomats to guide them in their future consideration of the Mexican problem. The chief of staff has long been familiar with conditions in Mexico and was personally acquainted with military leaders of the revolt against Huerta who are now divided in the camps of Villa and Carranza.

Waiting for Carranza's Reply. No disclosures have been made as to the next step the Pan-American conferees are planning with reference to Mexico. There will be no meeting until Carranza's reply to the appeal for a convention in neutralized territory has been received.

Killed 47 Mexican Bandits. Brownsville, Tex., Aug. 30.—Authentic reports were received here tonight that forty-seven of the Mexican bandits who participated in the attack on the Norias ranchhouse, sixty-five miles north of Brownsville, August 8, have been killed by American forces and officers, and that the surviving members of the band, numbering probably fifteen, are still at large in the brush.

### THE SUBMARINE F-4 RAISED

Lost United States Plunger Went Down Off Honolulu March 25 with 22 Men.

Honolulu, Aug. 30.—The United States submarine F-4, submerged outside the harbor here since March 25, last, was refloated late tonight and towed to the quarantine station in Honolulu bay.

Although the F-4 has been brought into the harbor the wreck is still submerged to a depth of six feet and probably will not be drydocked until Tuesday. Nothing has been divulged by the naval officials regarding conditions inside the vessel, if known.

The actual raising operation occupied two hours, the plans of the engineers working without a hitch. The still-submerged derelict was towed slowly into the harbor, where all the shipping, including the interned German gunboat Geire half-masted their flags.

When the submarine has been dry-docked a board composed of Rear Admiral Clifford J. Bousch, commandant of the naval station; Lieutenant Kirby E. Crittenden and Naval Constructor Julius Furrier will begin a thorough investigation for the purpose of ascertaining the cause of the disaster.

### TEXAS STORM KILLED 275

One Hundred and Two Other Persons Are Still Unaccounted for According to Lists.

Houston, Tex., Aug. 27.—According to a careful checking up of all published figures, based on official statements from the cities and larger towns and localities involved, and accounting for all persons listed as missing who have subsequently been found safe, the tropical storm that visited the Texas coast ten days ago took 275 lives, 206 of which number were on land and sixty-nine on water, in the collapse of ships, boats and dredges. The same lists show 103 persons still unaccounted for.

Explained.  
"I hate to serve on juries."  
"So do I. It is such a trying duty."

### CUTICURA SHAVING

Is Up-to-Date Shaving for Sensitive Skins. Trial Free.

Prepare razor. Dip brush in hot water and rub it on Cuticura Soap held in palm of hand. Then make lather on face and rub in for a moment with fingers. Make second lathering and shave. Rub bit of Cuticura Ointment over shaven parts (and on scalp if any dandruff or itching) and wash all off with Cuticura Soap and hot water, shampooing same time. One soap for all—shaving, shampooing, bathing and toilet. It's velvet for sensitive skins. No slimy mug. No germs. No waste of time or money. Free sample each, if you wish. Address postcard, "Cuticura, Dept. XY, Boston." Sold everywhere.—Adv.

### Retort Courteous.

M. Pluribus Jones reached the station platform just as the 5:15 was pulling out. A little burst of speed before the admiring onlookers netted him 50 feet in overcoming the train's handicap, but the best that his ample carcass could do thereafter was to run a losing race. He quit at the end of the freight yards and returned. "Miss your train, sir?" inquired the porter cheerfully.

Jones flicked a speck of dust from his coat sleeve.

"No, my friend," he said earnestly, "oh, no. I was just chasing it out of the yard. You oughtn't to allow it around here. Don't you see the tracks it's left?"

### A Heroine.

Ray—Have you heard of my engagement?

Bay—No—er—who's the plucky girl?

### Too True.

"Miss Gladys, do you like automobile speeding?"

"I think it perfectly killing."

Not so many people twang guitars as formerly, but the crop of phonographs is on the increase.

Air cratles ought to be cool, at least.

Nearly every man you meet is conceited enough to think he isn't.

### SOME HINTS FOR BUILDERS

Great Care Should Be Taken in Selection of the Most Substantial Roofing Material.

If you were without preparation or plan, rudely placed in a wilderness, your first thought would be of food supply and your next of shelter, for these are the two most vital necessities of mankind. It is therefore natural that the best thought, and study are put upon these two essentials.

More forward steps have been taken in the building industry in the past fifteen years, as regards comfort, service and architectural beauty than in the fifty years previous.

Only in recent years has the handling of cement in building work been understood properly, and progress is still constantly being made with it. Modern hotels and office buildings are being equipped with sheet metal mouldings and steel veneered doors. Nearly every important change in building construction is away from the fire hazard of wood.

One of the most significant developments of recent years is the crushed slate surfaced asphalt shingle which is, on new construction and old, rapidly supplanting the wooden article. There are many reasons for this. The slate surfaced shingles add beauty to any building—in fact, there is really no comparison from an architectural standpoint. Crushed slate of pleasing tints of red or green, is employed as a surfacing. The shingles are uniformly eight inches wide and are exposed four inches to the weather. No painting is necessary as the red or green crushed slate is natural and therefore cannot fade.

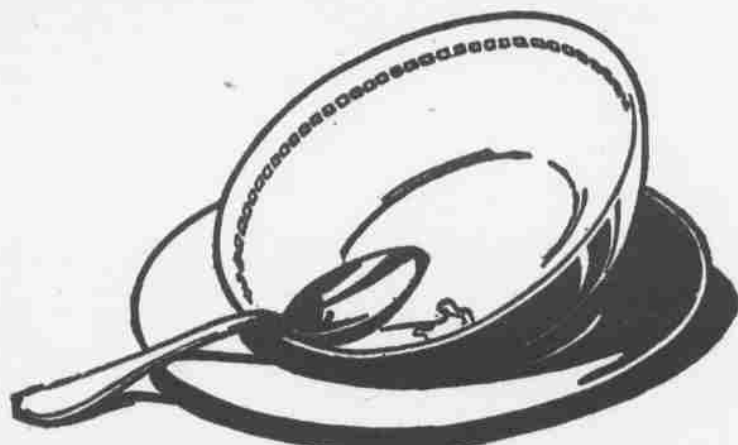
The purchaser, however, should guard himself against buying a slate surfaced shingle that is not guaranteed by a reliable and responsible manufacturer. There are so many kinds of roofing and shingles on the market today each claiming to be the best that it becomes necessary for the buyer to get some satisfactory assurance that the roofing or shingles are represented honestly.

### Probably.

"Who was it said that a large head did not indicate brains?"

"Some man who wears a No. 6 hat."

Only a smart man can conceal the fact that he considers himself important.



## The Empty Bowl Tells the Story

The highest compliment you can pay a housewife is to eat heartily of the food that she places before you. It proves the merit of her cooking.

Thousands every morning receive complete satisfaction, and enjoy to the last flake their bowl of

## Post Toasties

These daily compliments encouraged the continued bettering of these Superior Corn Flakes. The result was an improved Post Toasties—crisper and better than ever.

Only the inner sweet meats of choicest Indian Corn are used in making Post Toasties. These meaty bits of nourishment are cooked, rolled wafer thin, seasoned "just right" and toasted to an appetizing golden-brown.

The flakes come to you in dust-proof, germ-proof wax wrappers ready to serve direct from the package—crisp, fresh and delicious as when they leave the big ovens.

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